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LATE CABLES . . .

The 1937-38 Argentine corn crop unofficially estimated at only 197,000,000 - 236,000,000 bushels, against 359,615,000 bushels produced in 1936-37, as result of damage already suffered and continuation of drought in southern and western parts of corn zone. Recent rains insufficient to relieve drought conditions materially, especially in Provinces of Córdoba and Buenos Aires. Corn noted on recent field trip into Córdoba tasseled only waist high and considerable acreage complete failure. Rains insure fair to good yields in center of zone but southern and western parts irreparably injured. (Agricultural Attache P. O. Nyhus, Buenos Aires.)

Norway final estimate of the 1937 potato crop placed at 31,636,000 bushels as against 35,753,000 bushels produced in 1936. (International Institute of Agriculture, Rome.)

Argentina second official estimate of the 1937-38 area planted to cotton placed at 1,035,423 acres compared with last year's second estimate of 713,452 acres. (Agricultural Attaché P. O. Nyhus, Buenos Aires.)

Brisbane, Australia, wool sales closed January 11. Average selection offered, principally suited for continental requirements. Competition was keen. Chief buyers were from the Continent, with slight improvement from Yorkshire. Market closed firm. (Agricultural Attaché C. C. Taylor, London.)

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GRAINS

Brazilian wheat flour to be mixed with other flours

Brazil has recently decreed that all wheat flour used for making bread must be mixed with other domestic flours up to 30 percent, it is reported by the United States Consul at Rio de Janeiro. The admixture must be made by the millers, and at the discretion of the Government wheat byproducts may be added to the mixture. Pure wheat flour may be produced under special license for the manufacture of alimentary pastes, cookies, crackers, pastry, etc., but it must be sold in a special type of package to be specified by regulations not yet announced. Imported wheat flour may be used for bread in those bakeries which are equipped to prepare the mixture decreed.

The decree further stipulates that the Government will take measures to reduce freight rates on products which are to be added to wheat flour and provides for the exemption of import duties on machinery and equipment for manufacturing starch, fecula, and bread-making flours, which are imported under special license.

Turkey becomes an exporter of wheat

Wheat has not only been eliminated from the list of commodities imported into Turkey but has become an item for export, it is pointed out in a recent report from the United States Consul at Ankara. A number of measures were undertaken by the present Government to bring about this result. The most important of these was the abrogation of the tithe. This tax, which affected all agricultural products, was replaced by another applying only to products actually marketed. Such products as flour, and certain byproducts of wheat, are subject to a tax of 10 percent of their value at the point of shipment provided it is not more than 60 kilometers (about 37 miles) from their place of origin.

Other laws have provided for grants of land to the peasants on generous terms, and the Government has also extended transportation facilities, reduced freight rates on grain, created an Institute of Agriculture at Ankara, and founded numerous agricultural experimental stations. Work has been done to improve seed varieties and much interest has been shown in promoting agricultural credit. Through the Agricultural Bank of Turkey, the Government is authorized to buy and sell domestic wheat at fixed prices and generally regulate the wheat industry, in order to raise prices in the interior of the country. Many silos have been built for sorting and storing wheat, and others are in process of construction.

The annual production of wheat in Turkey has increased from about 94,000,000 bushels in 1930 to 140,000,000 bushels in 1937.

Domestic requirements are now fully covered, and during 1931-1935 an average of 14,550,000 bushels of wheat was exported.

TOBACCO

China imports smaller quantity of American flue-cured tobacco

American imports of tobacco into China during October and November amounted to only 745,000 pounds compared with 3,670,000 pounds imported during the corresponding months in 1936, according to a radiogram from Owen L. Dawson, American Agricultural Commissioner at Shanghai. For the crop year, October-September 1936-37, China imported a total of 40,394,000 pounds of leaf tobacco, of which 35,705,000 consisted of American leaf. Imports of American flue-cured for the 1937-38 season are expected to be considerably reduced.

Cigarette production in China so far this crop year has been greatly reduced. Some large Chinese-owned factories at Shanghai were completely destroyed and others will not be able to operate for some time. The large foreign factories sustained some damage at Shanghai but one of these has recently reopened. Factories located at Tsingtao and Hankow have been very active this season but these may have to suspend operations if hostilities develop in those areas.

The Chinese 1937 flue-cured production, estimated at 220,000,000 pounds as compared with 180,000,000 for the preceding year, was harvested before military activities reached the producing areas. The marketing of the 1937 crop, however, has been seriously disrupted as only a small volume has to date reached the large consuming centers. Prices have been low and a considerable quantity remains in the possession of the farmers. Leaf exports during the 1937-38 crop year may not exceed those of last year unless transportation improves. Total leaf exports during the 1936-37 season amounted to 38,350,000 pounds, of which approximately 25,000,000 pounds were shipped to Manchuria.

Manchuria plans to restrict tobacco imports

As a result of the Trade Control Act recently passed by the Manchurian Government, imports of leaf tobacco from China and the United States are to be restricted, according to a radiogram received from the Shanghai office of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Imports from Japan may be increased but large amounts still will be required from China and America. Total leaf imports into Manchuria during the 1936-37 crop year, October-September, equaled 38,471,000 pounds, of which 11,365,000 pounds were from the United States. Leaf imports for the 1937-38 season may equal the 1936-37 amount as a result of the short 1937 crop and the strong cigarette demand. The 1937 Manchurian flue-cured crop was estimated at 4,000,000 pounds, compared with 5,000,000 harvested in 1936. It is reported that an expansion of the Manchurian flue-cured acreage in 1938 will be encouraged.

OILS AND OILSEEDS

Manchurian soybean situation

The Dairen soybean market was seasonally active during November with the arrival of 284,000 short tons of the new crop of beans, according to a report of Vice Consul Pasquet transmitted by radio from the Shanghai office of the Bureau of Agricultural Economics. Bean mill activities at Dairen increased during November, producing 4,300 short tons of bean oil compared with 900 tons produced in October. Production of bean cake and meal likewise increased proportionately.

Stocks in Dairen at the end of November amounted to 71,000 short tons of beans, 2,800 tons of bean oil, and 25,000 tons of bean cake and meal. Prices of soybeans and bean products declined slightly during the month as a result of the downward trend of other vegetable oils and oil seeds in the European markets.

The 1937 Manchurian soybean crop, according to the third official estimate, was placed at 153,330,000 bushels, compared with 152,375,000 bushels for 1936.

During the 1936-37 season, Manchurian exports of beamcake and meal and bean oil to the United States were larger than normal. This increase was attributed to the short 1936 vegetable oil crops in this country.

MANCHURIA: Soybean, bean cake and meal, and bean oil exports, October-September, 1935-36 and 1936-37

Country of destination	Soybeans		Bean cake and meal		Bean oil	
	1935-36	1936-37	1935-36	1936-37	1935-36	1936-37
	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons	1,000 short tons
Japan a/	728	792	812	662	1	2
China	165	156	118	126	11	5
Germany	297	418	6	6	30	16
Netherlands	27	19	1	1	6	25
Egypt b/	419	624	c/	c/	c/	c/
United States	c/	c/	17	49	1	7
Others	412	188	13	17	33	17
Total	2,048	2,197	967	861	82	72

Manchoukuo Monthly Foreign Trade Returns.
a/ Including Chosen. b/ Largely for reshipment to Europe.
c/ Not listed separately.

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MANCHURIA: Price per pound at Dairen of soybeans, November 30, 1937, with comparisons

Item	Average November 1936	1937 October 30	1937 November 30
	Cents	Cents	Cents
Beans	1.31	1.38	1.33
Bean cake and meal	0.85	1.03	1.01
Bean oil	4.30	3.69	2.98

Shanghai office, Bureau of Agricultural Economics.

LIVESTOCK, MEATS, AND WOOL

Australian wool sales have easier tone

Wool sales of early January at Sydney and Brisbane, Australia, were marked by steady to lower prices, according to cabled advices from Agricultural Attaché C. C. Taylor at London. At the Sydney sales which closed January 6, prices were at par to 10 percent below the prices made at the opening on January 3. Continental European competition at the close was restricted, with both Yorkshire and Japan very quiet. At the Brisbane sales which opened January 10, prices were unchanged from the Sydney closing positions. There was a good average selection, and Germany and France, the chief buyers, offered fairly keen competition. Yorkshire operated slowly, however, with Japan buying only occasional lots.

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HOGS AND PORK PRODUCTS: Foreign and domestic average price per 100 pounds, November 1937 with comparisons

Item	1909-1913 average	1925-1929 average	Nov. 1936	Oct. 1937	Nov. 1937
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Hogs, Chicago, basic packers' and shippers' quotations	7.48	9.98	9.48	10.03	8.64
Corn, Chicago, No. 3 Yellow	1.07	1.50	1.87	1.18	0.95
Hogs, heavy, Berlin, live weight	12.05	16.47	17.70	17.75	17.39
Barley, Leipzig	1.68	2.21	a/ 3.19	3.19	3.22
Lard -					
Chicago	10.92	14.74	12.66	12.00	11.38
Liverpool	12.50	14.17	13.79	14.44	13.28
Hamburg	14.46	14.97	13.43	11.61	11.40
Cured pork, Liverpool -					
American short cut green hams	14.70	24.89	20.50	23.92	20.53
American green bellies	-	21.90	17.98	Nominal	Nominal
Danish Wiltshire sides	14.80	23.47	19.82	21.41	20.42
Canadian green sides	14.02	21.76	17.69	20.24	19.02

a/ December 1936; November price not available.

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UNITED STATES FOREIGN TRADE IN FARM PRODUCTS, JULY-NOVEMBER 1937

Export indexes

In November the monthly index of the quantity of United States agricultural exports stood at its highest level for 2 years. The average for the first 5 months of the current fiscal year was the highest since 1933 and 20 percent above that for the corresponding months last season.

Most of the rise since last year has been due to the recovery in exports of grains and cotton, although some increase was shown in the principal groups of exports except tobacco, cured pork, and fruits. Tobacco and cured pork exports remained practically unchanged, but fruits were 15 percent below last year's level. The index for grains and grain products for November exceeded the pre-war level for the first time since December 1931. The index for lard exports was at its highest level since November 1934.

UNITED STATES: Index numbers of the volume of agricultural exports, adjusted for seasonal variations, November 1937, with comparisons (July 1909 - June 1914 = 100)

Commodity or commodity group	October		November			July-November average	
	1936	1937	1935	1936	1937	1936	1937
All commodities	74	82	98	59	83	55	66
All commodities, except cotton	53	85	68	38	83	41	64
Cotton fiber, incl. linters	81	77	107	65	77	65	70
Tobacco, unmanufactured a/	154	139	171	125	141	116	115
Fruits	211	252	322	93	203	260	221
Wheat, incl. flour	22	84	17	13	86	18	63
Grains and grain products	21	95	27	13	102	18	73
Cured pork b/	9	14	19	17	20	15	14
Lard, excl. neutral	30	53	24	28	54	24	36

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. For detailed figures on exports, see page 17.
a/ Includes stems, trimming, etc.
b/ Includes bacon, hams, shoulders, and sides.

Principal agricultural products

In the 5 months ended November 30, 1937, United States exports of farm products were valued at $379,174,000 as against $343,920,000 in 1936, a gain of 10 percent. The gain in volume was 20 percent.

UNITED STATES FOREIGN TRADE IN FARM PRODUCTS, JULY-NOVEMBER 1937, CONT'D

Exports of grains continued the advance which began after the 1937 harvest. Nearly four times as much wheat and flour were exported as in the same 5 months of 1936. All the other grains shared in the upturn. The United States exported 123,946,000 pounds of milled rice as against 7,121,000 pounds a year ago. Exports of lard which amounted to 61,749,000 pounds represented a gain of 49 percent over the very low level reached in 1936. Exports of cottonseed oil were noticeably larger, and the same was true of raisins. More tobacco was exported than in the same months of 1936, although these sales were made at lower prices. Less meat and fruit were exported this season than last.

In the July-November period of 1937 the value of farm products imported into the United States totaled $583,067,000, a gain of 13 percent over the same months of 1936 when imports were valued at $514,636,000.

Competitive imports which were valued at $270,719,000 made up 46 percent of all agricultural imports from July through November. This represented a gain of only 6 percent over last season. Imports of barley, oats, rye, and wheat dropped off sharply. Except for coconut and soybean cake and meal, imports of feedstuffs were also smaller.

UNITED STATES: Exports of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937

Commodity exported	Unit	July-November a/			
		Quantity		Value	
		1936	1937	1936	1937
ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS:				1,000	1,000
Animals, live:		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Cattle	No.	2	1	105	139
Hogs	No.	b/	b/	3	3
Horses	No.	2	1	358	293
Mules, asses, and burros	No.	1	1	110	136
Dairy products:					
Butter	Lb.	318	274	107	104
Cheese-					
Processed cheese & spreads.	Lb.	c/	319	c/	73
Other cheese	Lb.	c/	218	c/	53
Total cheese	Lb.	448	537	110	126
Milk-					
Fresh and sterilized	Gal.	25	28	17	20
Condensed	Lb.	571	3,941	67	494
Dried	Lb.	1,635	1,969	340	378
Evaporated	Lb.	9,481	9,413	716	685
Infants' foods, malted, etc.	Lb.	1,138	1,441	340	458
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	625	1,008	186	282

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UNITED STATES: Exports of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937, cont'd

Commodity exported	Unit	July-November a/ Quantity 1936	Quantity 1937	Value 1936	Value 1937
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	1,000 dollars
ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS, CONT'D					
Meats and meat products:					
Beef and veal-					
Fresh or frozen	Lb.	1,627	1,721	251	309
Pickled or cured	Lb.	4,730	2,267	377	268
Canned beef, incl. corned	Lb.	774	1,011	237	332
Total beef and veal	Lb.	7,131	4,999	865	909
Pork-					
Carcasses, fresh	Lb.	105	38	13	7
Loins and other fresh	Lb.	1,287	1,170	226	230
Total fresh pork	Lb.	1,392	1,208	239	237
Bacon	Lb.	2,154	1,072	358	243
Hams and shoulders	Lb.	18,207	17,096	3,931	3,751
Sides, Cumber. & Wiltshire	Lb.	254	4	38	1
Pickled or salted	Lb.	5,453	3,798	612	537
Canned	Lb.	3,178	2,556	1,079	902
Total pork	Lb.	30,638	25,734	6,257	5,671
Mutton and lamb	Lb.	154	218	30	41
Poultry and game, fresh	Lb.	561	737	124	187
Sausage-					
Canned	Lb.	480	447	133	142
Other sausage	Lb.	482	522	103	124
Other meats-					
Fresh, frozen, or cured	Lb.	8,558	6,157	1,100	723
Canned, incl. canned poultry	Lb.	998	827	174	109
Total meats	Lb.	49,002	39,641	8,786	7,906
Meat extracts & bouillon cubes	Lb.	29	24	53	46
Sausage casings	Lb.	11,611	10,367	2,432	2,540
Oils and fats, animal:					
Lard	Lb.	41,399	61,749	4,912	7,122
Lard, neutral	Lb.	349	445	45	65
Oleo oil	Lb.	3,903	2,535	373	319
Oleo stock	Lb.	1,847	1,347	170	167
Stearins and fatty acids	Lb.	1,244	561	98	55
Tallow	Lb.	791	654	51	55
Other animal oils and fats	Lb.	3,624	1,888	269	182
Total oils and fats	Lb.	53,157	69,179	5,918	7,965
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS:					
Cotton, unmfd: (Bales of 500 lb.)					
Raw, except linters	Bale	2,574	2,738	163,556	149,685
Linters	Bale	131	149	3,169	3,204

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UNITED STATES: Exports of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937, cont'd

Commodity exported	Unit	July-November a/ Quantity 1936	Quantity 1937	Value 1936	Value 1937
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	1,000 dollars
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS, CONTINUED:					
Fruits:					
Apples-					
Fresh	Bskt.	98	274	181	464
Fresh	Box	2,420	2,401	3,724	3,471
Fresh	Bbl.	273	504	1,122	2,003
Dried	Lb.	12,150	14,026	1,110	1,160
Apricots, dried	Lb.	21,155	18,643	2,651	2,097
Grapefruit	Box	217	179	557	479
Oranges	Box	1,243	601	3,821	2,218
Pears, fresh	Lb.	111,164	100,637	3,989	3,810
Prunes, dried	Lb.	82,335	91,507	4,255	4,154
Raisins	Lb.	61,938	80,392	3,337	4,582
Fruits, canned	Lb.	132,708	121,184	10,162	9,962
Nuts:					
Pecans	Lb.	1,002	1,678	178	242
Walnuts	Lb.	11,423	9,407	1,129	937
Grains, flour and meal:					
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	3,797	9,285	2,766	6,594
Buckwheat, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	b/	302	b/	218
Corn, incl. corn meal (56 lb.)	Bu.	302	2,033	339	1,339
Malt (34 lb.)	Bu.	17	74	22	138
Oats, including oatmeal (32 lb.)	Bu.	377	5,688	614	2,510
Rice-					
Paddy or rough	Lb.	633	7,277	13	190
Milled, incl. brown	Lb.	7,121	123,946	248	3,831
Screenings, broken, flour, etc.	Lb.	45	350	1	9
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	1	3,388	1	2,980
Wheat flour- (196 lb.)					
Wholly from U. S. wheat	Bbl.	501	1,243	2,294	6,440
Other wheat flour	Bbl.	1,096	779	5,453	4,946
Total wheat flour	Bbl.	1,597	2,022	7,747	11,386
Wheat, grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	1,687	23,768	1,631	26,792
Wheat, including flour	Bu.	9,191	33,270	9,378	38,178
Cottonseed cake and meal	M. ton	3	39	93	970
Linseed cake and meal	M. ton	69	128	2,048	3,920
Oils, vegetable:					
Coconut oil-					
Edible	Lb.	1,041	749	66	56
Inedible	Lb.	4,068	3,454	189	190
Cottonseed oil-					
Crude	Lb.	36	2,065	4	134
Refined	Lb.	950	2,337	111	189
Corn oil	Lb.	353	161	31	19

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UNITED STATES: Exports of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937, cont'd

Commodity exported	Unit	July-November Quantity 1936	Quantity 1937	Value 1936	Value 1937
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS, CONTINUED:				1,000	1,000
Oils, vegetable, cont'd:		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Linseed oil	Lb.	501	341	48	40
Soybean oil	Lb.	1,451	1,804	98	169
Vegetable soap stock	Lb.	8,691	4,658	425	327
Soybeans	Lb.	c/	71,692	c/	1,346
Sugar (2,000 lb.)	Ton	32	26	1,381	1,205
Tobacco leaf:					
Bright flue-cured	Lb.	173,915	180,879	74,160	72,305
Burley	Lb.	4,641	3,670	1,003	863
Dark-fired Ky. & Tennessee	Lb.	11,965	12,627	1,662	2,167
Dark Virginia	Lb.	3,698	2,748	859	728
Maryland and Ohio export	Lb.	1,824	1,579	367	401
Green River (Pryor)	Lb.	1,339	301	118	57
One Sucker leaf	Lb.	378	144	40	12
Cigar leaf	Lb.	250	505	144	336
Black fat, water baler, and dark African	Lb.	4,478	3,320	779	676
Perique	Lb.	57	25	19	12
Total leaf tobacco	Lb.	202,545	205,798	79,151	77,557
Tobacco, other than leaf:					
Trimmings and scrap	Lb.	c/	426	c/	13
Stems	Lb.	c/	4,267	c/	76
Total, other than leaf	Lb.	9,035	4,693	250	89
Vegetables:					
Beans, green	Lb.	1,035	906	46	52
Beans, dried	Lb.	2,076	3,063	85	127
Onions	Lb.	26,336	23,712	402	458
Peas, green	Lb.	538	520	30	32
Peas, dried	Lb.	2,889	3,596	94	110
Peppers	Lb.	165	156	7	8
Potatoes, white	Lb.	53,193	80,917	958	921
Tomatoes, fresh	Lb.	5,708	6,790	222	243
Vegetables, canned	Lb.	15,975	22,125	1,606	2,033
Misc. vegetable products:					
Cornstarch and corn flour	Lb.	14,319	15,096	501	487
Glucose	Lb.	11,862	8,486	350	281
Hops	Lb.	635	2,370	232	432
Drugs, herbs, roots, etc.	Lb.	2,290	2,757	984	509
TOTAL PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL PROD				325,383	357,934
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS				343,920	379,174
TOTAL EXPORTS, ALL COMMODITIES				1,056,848	1,473,250

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. a/ Corrected to January 5, 1938. b/ Less than 500. c/ Not separately classified prior to January 1, 1937.

UNITED STATES: Imports (for consumption) of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937

Commodity imported	Unit	July-November a/			
		Quantity		Value	
		1936	1937	1936	1937
COMPETITIVE				1,000	1,000
ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS:		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Animals, live:					
Cattle-					
Dutiable (by weight)-					
Less than 175 pounds each.	No.	22	22	260	349
175 pounds and less than 700 pounds each	No.	54	79	794	1,447
700 pounds or more, each-					
Cows for dairy purposes.	No.	3	3	167	207
Other cattle	No.	28	74	1,056	4,920
Total cattle (dutiable)	No.	107	178	2,277	6,923
Free (for breeding)	No.	5	5	488	503
Hogs (except for breeding) ...	Lb.	7,070	5,528	575	528
Horses	No.	5	3	759	684
Dairy products:					
Butter	Lb.	4,039	1,010	878	237
Casein	Lb.	6,149	764	556	80
Cheese-					
Swiss	Lb.	3,654	5,641	1,023	1,360
Cheddar	Lb.	6,444	1,805	893	282
Other cheese	Lb.	19,170	18,274	4,089	3,839
Total cheese	Lb.	29,268	25,720	6,005	5,481
Cream	Gal.	30	72	45	103
Milk-					
Condensed and evaporated ...	Lb.	1,267	645	57	28
Dried and malted	Lb.	9,343	185	478	20
Whole, sk. and buttermilk...	Gal.	30	8	7	2
Eggs and egg products:					
Eggs, in the shell	Doz.	155	125	23	26
Egg albumen, dried	Lb.	1,212	1,269	480	472
Yolks, dried	Lb.	2,321	2,386	325	470
Other egg products	Lb.	606	715	109	123
Hides and skins, agricultural b/	Lb.	114,476	114,095	19,783	25,608
Meats and meat products:					
Beef and veal-					
Fresh	Lb.	1,385	2,488	121	269
Pickled or cured	Lb.	937	992	77	87
Canned, incl. corned	Lb.	35,578	41,990	3,304	4,445
Mutton and lamb, fresh	Lb.	9	20	1	3
Pork-					
Fresh	Lb.	5,397	9,178	716	1,472
Hams, shoulders, and bacon..	Lb.	11,546	19,232	3,114	5,285
Pickled, salted, and other..	Lb.	1,140	2,861	290	766

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UNITED STATES: Imports (for consumption) of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937, cont'd

Commodity imported	Unit	July-November a/ Quantity 1936	Quantity 1937	Value 1936	Value 1937
		Thousands	Thousands	1,000 dollars	1,000 dollars
COMPETITIVE, CONT'D.					
ANIMALS AND ANIMAL PRODUCTS, CONT'D					
Meats and meat products, cont'd:					
Poultry and game	Lb.	747	443	172	143
Other meats-					
Fresh	Lb.	174	400	34	69
Canned, prepared, or preserved.	Lb.	45	82	13	22
Total meats	Lb.	56,958	77,686	7,842	12,561
Sausage casings	Lb.	5,995	6,803	2,576	3,791
Tallow	Lb.	43,320	885	2,080	45
Wool, unm'd., excluding free in bond	Lb.	40,464	29,386	9,756	9,293
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS:					
Coffee imported into Puerto Rico	Lb.	0	0	0	0
Cotton, unm'd: (478 lb. bale)					
Raw, except linters	Bale	64	52	4,147	3,634
Linters	Bale	27	7	510	140
Feeds and fodders:					
Beet pulp, dried (2,240 lb.)	Ton	17	3	449	70
Bran, shorts, etc.- (2,000 lb.)					
Of direct importation	Ton	155	19	3,370	451
Withdrawn bonded mills	Ton	42	41	766	1,014
Total bran, shorts, etc.	Ton	197	60	4,136	1,465
Hay (2,000 lb.)	Ton	50	9	368	67
Oil cake and oil-cake meal-					
Coconut	Lb.	24,336	57,295	203	879
Cottonseed	Lb.	18,132	4,241	191	46
Linseed	Lb.	21,908	5,120	219	70
Soybean	Lb.	11,390	29,749	164	431
All other	Lb.	5,161	15,949	56	189
Total oil cake and meal	Lb.	80,927	112,354	833	1,615
Fruits:					
Berries, natural state	Lb.	5,803	5,841	390	384
Currants	Lb.	5,005	3,883	276	225
Dates	Lb.	39,129	34,023	1,434	1,236
Figs	Lb.	4,978	5,296	334	353
Grapes	Cu.ft.	4	11	11	27
Lemons	Lb.	564	2,521	17	97
Limes	Lb.	5,451	4,950	144	118
Pineapples-					
Fresh		c/	c/	141	112
Prepared or preserved	Lb.	6,948	11,499	341	609
Product of the Philippine Is.	Lb.	8,156	16,031	341	741

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UNITED STATES: Imports (for consumption) of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937, cont'd

Commodity imported	Unit	July-November a/ Quantity 1936	Quantity 1937	Value 1936	Value 1937
COMPETITIVE, CONT'D.				1,000	1,000
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS, CONT'D:		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Fruits, cont'd:					
Raisins	Lb.	405	353	30	42
Olives in brine-					
Green or ripe (not pitted)	Gal.	1,155	691	561	459
Pitted or stuffed	Gal.	1,325	873	962	921
Total olives in brine	Gal.	2,480	1,564	1,523	1,380
Grains and grain products:					
Barley, grain (48 lb.)	Bu.	6,735	1,134	5,658	983
Barley malt	Lb.	140,666	104,260	3,413	3,410
Corn, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	21,379	34,020	11,754	24,636
Oats, grain (32 lb.)	Bu.	84	3	28	2
Rice-					
Uncleaned	Lb.	1,267	3,013	38	93
Cleaned or milled	Lb.	3,626	2,908	92	95
Patna	Lb.	591	187	20	4
Meal, flour, and broken	Lb.	44,425	62,223	743	1,193
Rye, grain (56 lb.)	Bu.	3,709	d/	2,341	d/
Wheat, grain- (60 lb.bu.)					
Dutiable at 42¢ per bu.	Bu.	19,139	593	18,503	742
Dutiable at 10% ad val. e/	Bu.	3,652	4	2,926	4
Milled in bond for export-					
To Cuba	Bu.	1,432	1,032	1,341	1,281
To other countries	Bu.	4,333	1,487	3,984	1,793
Total wheat grain	Bu.	28,556	3,116	26,754	3,820
Wheat flour (196 lb.)	Bbl.	23	6	90	37
Wheat, including flour	Bu.	28,666	3,144	26,844	3,857
Hops	Lb.	3,319	2,476	1,041	734
Nuts and preparations		c/	c/	9,045	9,313
Oils, vegetable:					
Coconut oil	Lb.	120,017	133,145	4,570	7,954
Corn oil	Lb.	11,824	10,735	813	660
Cottonseed oil	Lb.	42,152	37,002	2,421	2,303
Linseed oil	Lb.	197	151	10	9
Olive oil, edible	Lb.	24,075	16,575	2,976	3,239
Olive oil, inedible	Lb.	14,278	7,996	1,103	858
Palmkernel oil	Lb.	9,916	57,930	461	3,951
Palm oil	Lb.	139,211	193,980	4,584	7,735
Peanut oil	Lb.	5,816	17,989	359	1,167
Perilla oil	Lb.	36,733	23,949	2,371	1,313
Rapeseed oil	Gal.	3,205	596	1,513	269
Soybean oil	Lb.	1,128	8,628	59	519
Sunflower seed oil	Lb.	11,484	0	730	0
Tung oil	Lb.	43,330	73,712	6,582	8,773

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UNITED STATES: Imports (for consumption) of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937, cont'd

Commodity imported	Unit	July-November a/ Quantity 1936	Quantity 1937	Value 1936	Value 1937
COMPETITIVE, CONT'D.				1,000	1,000
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS, CONT'D:		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Oilseeds:					
Castor beans	Lb.	53,055	66,020	1,201	1,688
Copra	Lb.	168,817	250,818	3,722	7,975
Flaxseed (56 lb.)	Bu.	7,053	8,806	9,238	11,602
Palm nuts and kernels	Lb.	18,837	46,657	395	1,411
Sesame seed	Lb.	15,089	2,109	509	95
Soybeans	Lb.	65	76	2	2
Seeds, except oilseeds		c/	c/	2,918	2,764
Sugar and molasses:					
Sugar (2,000 lb.)	Ton	890	1,080	50,400	54,013
Molasses-					
From Philippine Islands	Gal.	0	0	0	0
Unfit for human consumption	Gal.	107,250	101,793	5,072	5,361
Other molasses	Gal.	11,093	2,120	1,300	286
Total molasses	Gal.	118,343	103,913	6,372	5,647
Tobacco, unmanufactured:					
Leaf	Lb.	26,084	26,474	13,922	13,760
Product of the Philippine Is.	Lb.	883	2,237	76	240
Stems, not cut	Lb.	760	1,105	28	41
Tobacco scrap	Lb.	1,200	1,254	321	371
Vegetables:					
Beans-					
Dried	Lb.	11,979	9,926	367	389
Green or unripe	Lb.	561	549	16	15
Chickpeas or garbanzos, dried	Lb.	4,719	4,271	180	172
Garlic	Lb.	1,374	360	63	9
Onions	Lb.	1,205	867	27	21
Peas, except cowp's & chickp's-					
Dried	Lb.	597	1,293	17	41
Green	Lb.	3	10	d/	d/
Potatoes, white	Lb.	26,575	8,889	480	127
Tapioca, crude, flour, and prep.	Lb.	114,559	158,791	2,287	3,072
Tomatoes, fresh	Lb.	1,870	892	32	17
Turnips	Lb.	58,880	52,178	407	351
Vegetables, canned	Lb.	32,426	25,067	1,297	1,168
Fibers, vegetable: (2,240 lb. ton)					
Flax, unmanufactured	Ton	2	1	601	554
Hemp, unmanufactured	Ton	d/	d/	94	44
Jute and jute butts, unmfd.	Ton	17	34	1,236	2,762
Total principal competitive agricultural products				256,301	270,719

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UNITED STATES: Imports (for consumption) of principal agricultural products, July-November 1936 and 1937, cont'd

Commodity imported	Unit	July-November a/			
		Quantity		Value	
		1936	1937	1936	1937
NON-COMPETITIVE				1,000	1,000
ANIMAL PRODUCTS:		Thousands	Thousands	dollars	dollars
Silk, raw	Lb.	28,707	22,982	46,267	42,260
Wool, unmanufactured, free in bond for manufacture	Lb.	61,915	52,288	11,168	15,188
VEGETABLE PRODUCTS:					
Bananas	Bunch	26,162	28,864	12,604	13,450
Coffee, except through the port of Puerto Rico	Lb.	593,064	574,607	45,503	51,969
Cocoa or cacao beans	Lb.	228,681	226,493	12,171	17,639
Tea	Lb.	36,781	38,504	7,560	8,553
Spices	Lb.	63,075	34,307	5,290	3,952
Drugs, herbs, roots, etc.		c/	c/	2,886	4,327
Fibers, vegetable: (2,240 lb.ton)					
Kapok	Ton	6	3	1,534	902
Manila	Ton	11	14	1,638	2,703
Sisal and henequen	Ton	46	57	5,208	6,701
Rubber, crude-					
Milk of, or latex	Lb.	18,478	21,650	2,955	4,321
Guayule	Lb.	1,394	3,435	160	431
Other crude rubber	Lb.	454,594	554,993	69,238	101,881
Total rubber, crude	Lb.	474,466	580,078	72,353	106,633
Total principal agricultural-					
Non-competitive products				224,182	274,277
Competitive products				256,301	270,719
TOTAL PRINCIPAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS				480,483	544,996
TOTAL AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS				514,636	583,067
TOTAL IMPORTS, ALL COMMODITIES				1,030,389	1,185,348

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

a/ Corrected to January 5, 1938.

b/ Excludes weight of "Other hides and skins", which are reported in pieces only.

c/ Reported in value only.

d/ Less than 500.

e/ Unfit for human consumption.

UNITED STATES: Exports (domestic) of specified agricultural products, January-November 1936 and 1937, and November 1936 and 1937 a/

Commodity	Unit	January-November 1936	January-November 1937	November 1936	November 1937
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Bacon	Lb.	3,868	2,368	270	299
Hams and shoulders b/	Lb.	40,246	35,821	4,233	4,901
Lard	Lb.	101,908	113,969	9,563	18,314
Grains and preparations:					
Barley (48 lb.)	Bu.	7,361	10,625	196	2,262
Corn (56 lb.)	Bu.	518	1,972	5	1,713
Rice-					
Paddy (rough)	Lb.	3,839	11,446	150	4,327
Milled, incl. brown	Lb.	14,169	160,243	5,058	24,845
Flour, meal, etc.	Lb.	58	448	4	239
Wheat-					
Grain (60 lb.)	Bu.	1,829	25,204	21	6,388
Flour, wholly of United States wheat (196 lb.)	Bbl.	901	1,963	49	333
Fruits:					
Fresh-					
Apples c/	Bu.	8,044	6,753	1,078	1,365
Pears	Lb.	125,178	112,319	14,452	17,479
Oranges	Box	3,962	2,163	188	143
Grapefruit	Box	923	612	57	52
Dried-					
Apples	Lb.	21,095	22,123	1,741	5,770
Apricots	Lb.	25,424	26,482	552	2,785
Prunes	Lb.	163,238	168,969	6,383	28,101
Raisins	Lb.	91,532	129,366	5,810	24,530
Canned pears	Lb.	56,742	59,704	368	2,276
Tobacco leaf:					
Bright flue-cured	Lb.	281,651	275,312	40,292	49,357
Dark-fired Kentucky and Tennessee	Lb.	47,530	50,049	2,719	2,464
Other leaf	Lb.	38,631	33,942	3,721	2,403
Total leaf tobacco	Lb.	367,812	359,303	46,732	54,224
Cotton, excl. linters (Running bales)	Bale	4,815	4,977	690	797

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce.

a/ Corrected to January 5, 1938.

b/ Includes Cumberland and Wiltshire sides.

c/ Includes baskets, boxes, and barrels in terms of bushels.

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UNITED STATES: Imports (for consumption) of specified agricultural products, January-November 1936 and 1937, and November 1936 and 1937 a/

Commodity imported	Unit	January-November 1936	January-November 1937	November 1936	November 1937
		Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands
Animals, live:					
Cattle-					
Dutiable (by weight)-					
Less than 175 pounds each .	No.	56	81	1	2
175 pounds and less than 700 pounds each	No.	166	218	9	12
700 pounds or more, each -					
Cows for dairy purposes..	No.	6	6	1	1
Other cattle	No.	159	182	2	1
Total cattle (dutiable)	No.	387	487	13	16
Free (for breeding)	No	10	11	1	1
Hogs (except for breeding)	Lb.	13,612	16,549	2,303	116
Butter	Lb.	8,719	10,602	1,361	237
Cheese:					
Swiss	Lb.	7,234	12,128	1,009	1,292
Cheddar	Lb.	10,277	4,644	222	53
Other cheese	Lb.	36,109	39,145	4,650	4,861
Total cheese	Lb.	53,620	55,917	5,881	6,206
Egg products, excl. eggs in the shell	Lb.	7,743	9,908	666	414
Meats:					
Beef and veal, fresh	Lb.	3,868	4,428	231	421
Beef, canned, incl. corned	Lb.	86,001	84,732	3,703	6,968
Pork, fresh	Lb.	11,048	19,747	967	981
Hams, shoulders, and bacon	Lb.	22,524	44,140	2,734	3,277
Tallow	Lb.	77,799	14,332	317	0
Wool b/	Lb.	109,069	156,454	11,870	4,085
Grains:					
Corn ..... (56 lb.)	Bu.	27,041	86,186	6,263	177
Oats ..... (32 lb.)	Bu.	129	55	47	c/
Rye ..... (56 lb.)	Bu.	3,862	207	880	0
Wheat d/.. (60 lb.)	Bu.	36,284	8,684	3,199	c/
Barley malt	Lb.	262,761	358,662	28,715	8,070
Oilseeds:					
Copra	Lb.	355,412	479,712	10,170	46,670
Flaxseed.. (56 lb.)	Bu.	13,876	26,360	2,707	1,774
Oils, vegetable:					
Cocoanut	Lb.	292,879	302,526	32,713	31,415
Palm	Lb.	305,038	375,767	30,355	48,488
Perilla	Lb.	117,903	42,086	0	2,792
Tung	Lb.	126,647	169,709	6,609	6,369
Sugar, raw (2,000 lb.)	Ton	2,862	3,047	114	153
Molasses	Gal.	228,029	291,532	21,222	14,912

Compiled from official records of the Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce. a/ Corrected to January 5, 1938. b/ Excludes wool imported free in bond for use in carpets, etc. c/ Less than 500. d/ Includes only wheat full duty paid and 10 percent ad valorem.

HOGS AND PORK PRODUCTS: Indices of foreign supplies and demand, October-November, 1934-35 to 1937-38

Country and item	Unit	October-November					
		1909-10 to 1913-14 average	1924-25 to 1928-29 average	1934-35	1935-36	1936-37	1937-38
UNITED KINGDOM:							
Supplies, domestic fresh pork, London	1,000 pounds	-	13,120	15,805	18,751	16,507	13,691
Imports -							
Bacon -							
Denmark.....	"	39,476	80,800	73,995	65,201	58,290	62,794
Irish Free State..	"	-	12,380	8,981	10,907	10,924	11,639
United States.....	"	27,769	14,857	722	350	279	84
Canada.....	"	5,490	13,845	13,028	13,732	24,107	23,081
Total.....	"	80,757	146,725	131,862	119,317	122,891	129,674
Ham -							
United States.....	"	-	-	7,216	4,990	3,751	6,815
Total.....	"	13,407	17,945	11,306	9,871	10,009	12,175
Lard, total.....	"	40,098	38,144	49,514	24,861	26,162	33,095
CANADA:							
Slaughter -							
Hogs, inspected....	1,000's	301	471	488	519	802	711
GERMANY:							
Production -							
Hog receipts, 14 cities.....	"	-	545	604	208	431	552
Hogs slaughtered, 36 centers.....	"	747	671	800	296	575	758
Imports -	1,000						
Bacon, total.....	pounds	537	4,242	8,900	4,746	2,301	3,754
Lard, total.....	"	36,421	35,487	9,996	21,048	6,662	10,521
UNITED STATES:							
Slaughter -							
Hogs, inspected....	1,000's	5,437	7,302	7,569	4,557	7,791	6,006
Exports -							
Bacon -	1,000						
United Kingdom....	pounds	20,282	8,991	426	152	195	122
Germany.....	"	362	2,103	0	0	0	0
Cuba.....	"	1,257	3,481	816	167	150	22
Total.....	"	28,506	21,421	1,777	440	607	497
Ham, shoulders -							
United Kingdom....	"	19,438	20,287	8,919	6,748	4,883	7,025
Total.....	"	23,093	24,712	10,994	7,794	5,907	8,134
Lard -							
United Kingdom....	"	22,125	30,752	34,921	7,747	11,325	23,071
Germany.....	"	21,980	23,920	872	524	687	667
Cuba.....	"	5,791	13,003	7,135	1,983	5,292	9,112
Netherlands.....	"	5,165	5,216	9	0	0	44
Total.....	"	69,073	102,541	46,609	10,663	20,017	37,111

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COTTON: Price per pound of representative raw cotton at Liverpool, January 7, 1938, with comparisons

Growth	1937 November 19	1937 November 26	1937 December 3	1937 December 10	1937 December 17	1937 December 24	1937 December 31	1938 Jan. 7
	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents	Cents
American -								
Middling	9.48	9.65	9.67	9.79	10.01	10.16	10.08	10.35
Low Middling	7.92	8.09	8.11	8.23	8.45	8.47	8.52	8.79
Egyptian (Fully Good Fair) -								
Sakellaridis	17.09	16.98	16.87	16.81	16.53	16.97	17.18	17.62
Uppers	12.53	12.38	12.33	12.52	12.72	13.01	12.91	13.21
Brazilian (Fair) -								
Ceara	8.44	8.61	8.63	8.75	8.97	9.12	9.04	9.31
Sao Paulo	9.48	9.65	9.67	9.79	10.01	10.16	10.08	10.35
East Indian -								
Broach (Fully Good)	7.75	7.99	7.94	8.06	8.12	8.12	8.06	8.33
C. P. Oomra No. 1, Superfine	8.38	8.61	8.57	8.69	8.74	8.74	8.68	8.96
Sind (Fully Good)	7.69	7.93	7.88	8.00	8.12	8.06	8.00	8.23
Peruvian (Good) -								
Tanguis	13.86	14.02	14.04	14.17	14.18	a/14.20	-	-

Converted at current exchange rates. a/ December 23.

UNITED STATES: Exports of cotton to principal foreign markets, annual 1935-36 and 1936-37, and the season August 1 - January 6, 1936-37 and 1937-38 a/
(Running bales)

Country to which exported	Year ended July 31 1935-36	Year ended July 31 1936-37	August 1-January 6 1936-37	August 1-January 6 1937-38
	1,000 bales	1,000 bales	1,000 bales	1,000 bales
United Kingdom	1,466	1,220	687	1,099
Continental Europe	2,936	2,587	1,480	1,984
Total Europe	4,402	3,807	2,167	3,083
Japan	1,548	1,592	226	159
Other countries	333	380	182	288
Total	6,283	5,779	3,175	3,530
Linters	243	259	113	129
Total excluding linters	6,040	5,520	3,062	3,401

Compiled from the Weekly Stock and Movement Report, New York Cotton Exchange.
a/ Includes linters.

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BUTTER: New Zealand grading, 1937-38 season to January 1, with comparisons

Date	1934-35	1935-36	1936-37	1937-38
Week ended	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
August 1-September 25	35,863	35,269	35,353	34,859
October 2	7,700	6,496	7,560	7,896
9	8,333	7,633	8,120	8,008
16	8,848	8,232	8,960	8,680
23	9,156	9,206	9,744	9,744
30	9,968	9,576	9,520	9,016
Monthly total	44,005	41,143	43,904	43,344
November 6	10,192	10,248	10,360	10,584
13	10,416	10,136	11,200	10,248
20	10,416	10,472	10,920	10,248
27	10,808	10,360	10,976	10,640
Monthly total	41,832	41,216	43,456	41,720
December 4	10,192	10,696	10,696	10,696
11	9,968	10,696	11,032	10,248
18	9,800	10,080	10,730	11,144
25	8,904	10,192	7,168	10,304
Monthly total	33,864	41,664	39,626	42,392
January 1	3,400	10,416	12,208	9,520
Total to January 1	168,984	169,708	174,547	171,835

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BUTTER: Australian grading, 1937-38 season to December 18, with comparisons

Date	1934-35	1935-36	1936-37	1937-38
Week ended	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds	1,000 pounds
July 1-September 25	29,497	23,059	20,868	18,781
October 2	5,784	4,771	3,721	3,842
9	6,500	5,383	4,059	4,467
16	6,516	6,704	4,731	4,870
23	7,302	7,155	4,525	5,660
30	8,617	7,728	4,988	5,640
Monthly total	34,719	31,741	22,024	24,479
November 6	8,590	8,212	4,997	6,044
13	8,803	8,631	5,096	6,561
20	7,526	8,384	5,696	7,571
27	10,022	8,086	5,042	7,338
Monthly total	34,941	33,313	20,831	27,514
December 4	8,570	7,249	5,233	8,411
11	9,914	6,749	4,944	7,159
18	9,204	7,412	3,936	7,177
Total to December 18	126,845	109,523	77,836	93,521

Weekly Dairy Produce Notes, Imperial Economic Committee.

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BUTTER: Price per pound in New York, San Francisco, Copenhagen, and London, January 6, 1938, with comparisons

Market and description	Week ended		
	January 7, 1937	December 30, 1937	January 6, 1938
	Cents	Cents	Cents
New York, 93 score	35.5	34.5	34.5
San Francisco, 92 score	34.0	33.5	32.5
Copenhagen, official quotation	18.4	27.0	24.5
London:			
Danish	24.1	32.6	30.1
New Zealand	21.6	24.9	25.0
Dutch	21.4	26.1	26.0

Foreign prices converted at current rates of exchange.

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LIVESTOCK AND MEAT: Price per 100 pounds in specified European markets, January 5, 1938, with comparisons a/

Market and item	Week ended		
	January 6, 1937	December 29, 1937	January 5, 1938
	Dollars	Dollars	Dollars
Germany:			
Price of hogs, Berlin	16.79	17.30	17.23
Price of lard, tcs., Hamburg	15.67	10.38	10.27
United Kingdom: b/			
Prices at Liverpool, first quality -			
American green bellies	18.20	Nominal	18.09
Danish Wiltshire sides	20.17	22.33	22.33
Canadian green sides	17.83	19.60	19.20
American short cut green hams	20.50	18.85	18.87
American refined lard	16.01	11.18	11.31

Liverpool quotations are on the basis of sales from importer to wholesaler.

a/ Converted at current rate of exchange.

b/ Week ended Friday.

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